UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA SAVANNAH DIVISION

NELSON OGLESBY,)	
Plaintiff,)	
V.)	CV420-285
SAM'S EAST, INC.,)	
Defendant.)	
	<u>ORDER</u>	

Before the Court is the parties' consent motion for protective order. Doc. 5. The parties have proffered a proposed order, doc. 5-1, which they note requires the parties to submit any confidential documents to which there is disagreement to the Court for *in camera* review rather than filing those documents under seal. Doc. 5 at 2. The parties assert that this rule conforms with applicable standing orders. *Id.* However, the undersigned's standard order regarding discovery disputes requires *at least* an informal telephonic status conference prior to the submission of any documentation to the Court. *See* docket entry on November 16, 2020. Moreover, the Court is disinclined to endorse a procedure which could have the parties submit documentation for its review without briefing or other record on the docket. Nor is it apparent why filing *potentially* confidential documents for review under seal would be

inappropriate, particularly when the proposed order supposes such sealed filing of *actually* confidential documents during the pendency of the case. *See* doc. 5-1 at 3. Accordingly, the parties are **DIRECTED** to file an amended motion for a protective order within ten days from the date of this Order. If no amended motion is filed, the Court will excise from the proposed protective order any reference to *in camera review*.

SO ORDERED, this <u>20th</u> day of November, 2020.

CHRISTOPHER L. RAY

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA